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Re: US. Patent Application
Title: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MANAGING A DATA OBJECT SO AS
TO COMPLY WITH PREDETERMINED CONDITIONS FOR USAGE**
Serial No. 09/164,606
Our Ref. No.: MEDIDNA.001C1

Dear Examiner Buhr:

We would like to discuss adding three claims to the above-referenced patent application. These three claims are similar to the language of Claims 39, 45, and 48. If you are available, we would like to discuss these changes with you either tomorrow, Friday, May 21, 1999 at 1:30 p.m. (E.S.T), or on Monday, May 24, 1999, at 1:30 p.m. (E.S.T.). Please let me know which of these times may be convenient for you.

Also, enclosed is a copy of the PTO-1449 we filed with the Patent and Trademark Office yesterday, Wednesday, May 19, 1999. The IDS includes five patents which have recently come to our attention.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Most sincerely,

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